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In re the Application of:

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL (ACCELERATED EXAMINATION)

37 CFR 1.102, 708.02 MPEP

MAIL STOP: Patent Application

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition that this application be afforded special status pursuant to section VIII of 708.02 MPEP.

Please charge the petition fee set forth in § 1.17(h) to counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-0337.

There is only one independent claim and all claims are thus believed to be directed to a single invention. In the event the Office determines that all the claims presented are not obviously directed to a single invention, Applicant will make an

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election without traverse as a prerequisite to the grant of special status in response to a telephonic request directed to the undersigned attorney of record, at 213 892 9315, in accordance with the established telephone restriction practice.

By so directing all claims in this application to a single invention, Applicants are not waiving their right to seek protection of such other inventions as may be disclosed in this application by way of other claims in subsequently filed Continuation, Divisional, or Continuation-in-Part applications, it being recognized that such other subsequently filed applications will not automatically be given special status based on papers filed with the petition in this application.

A computer-assisted pre-examination search was made by the first named inventor (Mr. Yuh-shen Song) of all full-text searchable US patents and published patent applications on the PTO website as of July 2003. The found references deemed by Mr. Song most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by independent claim 1 are listed on the enclosed form 1449 (Exhibit A) and copies of said references are enclosed for the convenience of the office.

Also enclosed (Exhibit B) is a chart which identifies certain claimed features and whether or not such features are disclosed in each reference. That chart is believed to provide the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111 (b) and (c) in a convenient format.

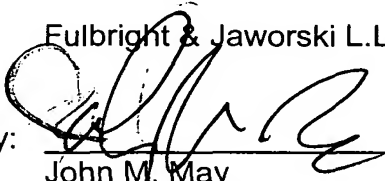
In particular, it is clear that no single reference has all the listed features, and that no reference includes the feature of "verifying account holder info with the embedded info of payer's identification card".

Nothing in this petition or the attached Exhibits should be considered an admission that the listed features are the only novel features of the present invention, or that other combinations or subcombinations of those or other features would not also be patentable. Moreover, in the event of any discrepancy between the precise wording of the chart and of the claims as now presented or as may ultimately be granted, the language of the granted claims should be controlling.

Respectfully submitted,

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